Underground Coal Mines Monitoring Checklist



Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program

What Must Be Monitored for Each Underground Coal Mine Meeting the MSHA Sampling Threshold?

Each underground coal mine meeting the MSHA threshold must monitor						
these parameters for their mine ventilation air						
	Volumetric flow rate of gas for each ventilation monitoring point (scfm) (Quarterly or more frequent)		Pressure (atm) values at the time, location, and conditions for which measurements are made. (Quarterly or more frequent)			
	CH ₄ concentration (%) for each ventilation monitoring point (Quarterly or more frequent)		Moisture content (%) at the time, location, and conditions for which measurements are made. (Quarterly or more frequent)			
	Temperatures (°R) values at the time, location, and conditions for which measurements are made. (Quarterly or more frequent)					
Each underground coal mine using a <u>degasification system</u> (deployed before during, or after mining operations) must also monitor these parameters						
	Volumetric flow of CH ₄ liberated from each degasification monitoring point (Weekly or more frequent)		Pressure (atm) values at the time, location, and conditions for which measurements are made. (Weekly or more frequent)			
	CH ₄ concentration from each degasification monitoring point (%) (Weekly or more frequent)		Moisture content (%) at the time, location, and conditions for which measurements are made. (Weekly or more frequent)			
	Temperatures (°R) values at the time, location, and conditions for which measurements are made. (Weekly or more frequent)					

Each underground coal mine where CH₄ is <u>destroyed or transported</u> <u>offsite for destruction</u> must monitor ...

Volumetric flow of gas at each destruction device or point of offsite transport for destruction (continuous)	Pressure (atm) values of gas at each destruction device or point of offsite transport for destruction (continuous)
CH ₄ concentration of gas at each destruction device or point of offsite transport for destruction (continuous)	Moisture content (%) of gas at each destruction device or point of offsite transport for destruction (continuous)
Temperatures (°R) values of gas at each destruction device or point of offsite transport for destruction (continuous)	

See also the information sheet for Underground coal mines at http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/emissions/subpart/ff.html